

## NORTH COUNTRY GETS MANY IMPROVEMENTS

J. K. CORNWALL, M.P.P., GIVEN ASSURANCES AT OTTAWA THAT TIMBER WILL BE BETTER PROTECTED INCREASED MAIL SERVICE AND TELEGRAPH

Assurances have been given by the Department of the Interior at Ottawa, to Jas. K. Cornwall, M.P.P., for Peace River, that extensive improvements are to be carried out in the north country this year, and that, moreover, a thorough system of fire protection for the vast reaches of valuable timber in the north, which are yearly devastated by fire, is to be established.

Mr. Cornwall returned yesterday from a trip east to Ottawa. To the Capital yesterday he gave an account of his trip, and what had been promised him at Ottawa.

Mr. Cornwall went east for the purpose of making certain representations to the department of the Interior officials regarding improvements in the north country, and during a lengthy conference with Hon. Mr. Gillies, Minister of the Interior, the minister informed him that it was his intention to carry out improvements in the north the coming year.

One of the most important improvements which Mr. Oliver announced it was his intention to carry out was the establishment of a system of fire protection for the timber. This was one matter which Mr. Cornwall specially urged upon the minister. It is the intention of the department to appoint an increased number of fire wardens, and a larger appropriation than last year has been secured for fire protection purposes.

Extension of Telegraph Service. Another important improvement to be carried out is the extension of the telegraph service from Athabasca Landing east to Fort McMurray, and from Peace River down into the Grande Prairie. This will place the outposts of the north in direct touch with civilization.

Another work will be the dredging of the Little Slave river between the Athabasca River and Lesser Slave lake.

## TWIN CITY BONSPIEL OPENS WITH BRILLIANT PROSPECTS

HUNDREDS OF VISITING CURLERS THROUGH THE CITY—YORKTON RINKS STORM BOUND ON CANADIAN NORTHERN—THIS MORNING'S RESULTS

The annual bonspiel of the Royal Canadian Curling club opened this morning with several hundred visiting curlers in attendance and more than a hundred local men ready to play. All yesterday and last night from every part of this province, and from the most outlying districts of Saskatchewan from the mountains of British Columbia, from Lethbridge in the south and from Athabasca Landing in the north the Knights of the Stone poured into the city flooding hotels and stopping places, thronging the streets, and filling the rink and gathering places for the players with good cheer and festivity.

The Yorkton detachment has not yet arrived in the city, their train being stalled by the snow drifts. There are twenty men in the party and they should arrive in the city this afternoon or evening.

From Athabasca Landing there is one rink. The drive of over one hundred miles in the cold temperature is a good illustration of the enthusiasm of curlers.

The railroad depots last night and this morning were deluged with teams, brooms and other paraphernalia necessary for the game. Drays loaded with stones hurried about the city from rink to rink. Curlers carrying brooms under their arms hastened to the sheets of ice to which they were assigned.

The curling headquarters were a scene of activity about twelve o'clock when the returns began to come and when the evening and afternoon draws were being made.

Both the Canadian Northern and Canadian Pacific railroads are giving special rates on their roads from any portion of the province to the city.

### NEW STEAMSHIP COMPANY

Liverpool, (C. A. P.), Jan. 18.—It is rumored that an all-red steamship company is being formed, with a capital of two million pounds.

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Anyone coming to the bonspiel may buy a single fare ticket and when the bonspiel is over the secretary will give him a certificate which entitles him to free fare return.

### RESULTS OF 9:30 DRAWS

**Granite Rink**  
1—Nairn, C.C.; Wellner, Red (one finished).  
2—Holden, Vegreville, 16; McLean, McLeod.  
3—McMahon, 15; Archibald, C.C.  
4—Finlay, Med. Hat, 12; Gillis, High River.

**Capital Rink**  
5—Ross, C.C.; Rae, Granite, 15.  
6—Forbes, Calgary, 14; Bayne, Banff, 16.  
7—Gibson, Innisfail, 9; Parle, High River (Not finished).  
8—Irvine, Fort, 18; Landhomer, Days-Tand, 14.

**Strathcona Rink**  
9—Stanton, Banff, 8; Col, Edwards, C.C., 9.  
10—Clarke, Granite (default); Pearson, Granite.  
11—McCauley, Tofted, 9; Dr. Brett, Banff.  
The draws at 3:30 this afternoon are:

1—Sheppard vs. McCauley.  
2—Olsen vs. Webb.  
3—Marriot vs. Nairn.  
4—Dunlop vs. Dickens.  
5—Thom vs. Rae.  
6—Bayne vs. Forbes.  
7—Boscher vs. Downs.  
8—Darling vs. Parle.  
9—Kelly vs. Fisher.  
10—Gardner vs. Vandenberg.  
11—McDonald vs. Simpson.  
12—Macean vs. Walker (Tucker).

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## MAY TAKE ACTION AGAINST OPERATORS

Full Investigation Into Protection Afforded in Bellevue Mines Will Be Made

It is stated that the miners union at Bellevue are now considering taking action to make the mine operators responsible to a certain extent on the ground of negligence, for the disaster in December which cost the lives of thirty miners. This has not yet been confirmed. The verdict rendered by the jury censured both the operators and the miners for negligence.

A full investigation into the means of further protection of the mines is to be made by Provincial Mine Inspector Sterling, who will go south again. It is not likely that any action will be considered by the provincial government until his return. It is the intention to see that the mine operators take such steps as are considered necessary to further protect the lives of the mine.

In the meantime, the miners are living idle waiting for the company to take action, refusing to return to work until further protection is provided. It is understood that they will ask the company to provide for increased ventilation of the mines.

Premier Sifton, minister of public works, will not return to the city for a week or two, but it is likely that on his return he will take up the matter of the appointment of a commission to investigate mine conditions, with a view to further regulation.

## VETERAN OPERATORS HOLD A RE-UNION

First Meeting of the Kind in Edmonton Was Held Last Evening

Veteran telegraphers to the number of fourteen gathered at the home of M. C. Wright on Fifteenth street on Tuesday evening and enjoyed a reunion. The first of the kind held in Edmonton. Old experiences were exchanged and recollections of the comic and grave were revived and much of the early history of the northwest was discussed by the old masters of the key.

Mr. Wright, who was a famous operator in his day and whose services dated back to 1879, inviting the lighting strikers to meet at his long residence and while it was impossible to communicate with all of them in time the gathering was extremely enjoyable. Alex Taylor, who was the first operator in Edmonton, told how the line was extended to this city from Hay Lake and how the Edmonton Bulletin first came into existence. Mr. Taylor and George Fraser, who worked the west and east ends of the old government line from Winnipeg to Edmonton in years gone by, recounted many interesting happenings connected therewith. George A. Reid, whose date is 1860, and J. A. McLeod, old of the vintage of 1871, were two of the most conspicuous figures at the reunion. The old boys had a regular "shopfest" and when it was time for "30" they all complimented their host and agreed that this should not be the last time they would meet in Edmonton.

Those present, with the years in which they entered active telegraph service, were: Alex Taylor, 1869; Geo. A. Reid, 1869; J. S. McDonald, 1871; R. C. McDonald, 1878; Geo. B. Fraser, 1880; D. H. Barclay, 1900; T. J. Samara, 1889; D. McManis, 1889; B. Pennock, 1891; C. W. Melnes, 1900; M. R. Cryderman, 1892; J. R. Gorman, 1880; G. Wilder, 1880; M. C. Wright, 1879.

## TRAVERS' STATEMENT MAY BE SENSATIONAL

Toronto Jan. 18.—Travers is still at the jail, and has not been brought up town today. There are queer stories about this Travers, if he makes any statement in open court, will give the most sensational information that has so far been heard.

A friend of his quoted him as saying that he was more than between the devil and the deep sea, then turned themselves over to the constable in charge. A report on their heroism has been forwarded to the attorney general.

## TELEGRAPHIC NEWS

Happenings in the World at Large Boiled Down for Busy Readers

ALBERTA.

C. P. R. Hotel for Calgary. Calgary—At a special meeting held yesterday afternoon the city council reached an agreement with the C.P.R. whereby the latter will at once proceed with the erection of an hotel in this city, which when completed will cost in the neighborhood of \$200,000.

Robertson Remanded. Calgary—Thomas Robertson, charged with the murder of Tucker Peck, last May, was brought before the magistrate this morning and was remanded for eight days.

Importing Mules. Bassano—Eight hundred mules, formerly used on the construction of the Panama canal, are being shipped to this place via Vancouver by the C.P.R. They will be used in the construction of the irrigation dam.

FOREIGN.

Taft is Non-Committal. Washington—All attempts to interview President Taft regarding the reciprocity negotiations have failed. Both the representatives from Canada and the United States are very scarce and it is improbable any announcement will be forthcoming until an agreement is reached and approved by both governments.

Explosion on Battleship. Norfolk—Eight men were killed and several others seriously injured when a powder magazine in the Battleship Delaware blew up early this morning. The Delaware is headed for this city where the injured men will be placed in the hospital.

Fires at Premier. Paris—A madman, who had in some way gained access to the chamber of deputies, fired three shots at Premier Briand yesterday, neither of which took effect. The man was captured after a terrific struggle and imprisoned.

Named for Senator. Minneapolis—Moses E. Clapp, of St. Paul, was endorsed by the Populist party for United States Senator last evening.

Police Quot Disturbers. Melbourne—Extraordinary scenes marked the introduction of a redistribution bill in the parliament of West Australia yesterday. The measure was opposed for 28 hours by the laborites and it was only after the entire party withdrew from the house that progress on the bill was reported.

DOMINION.

Divorce Problem. Ottawa—In the upper house yesterday Senator Power warned the members against the establishment of provincial divorce courts, declaring that it would tend more than anything else toward assisting in spreading the evil.

Police Cell Nuisance. Toronto—The grand jury which has been sitting for several days brought in a report to the effect that the cell in the city police station were a nuisance and not fit for the incarceration of prisoners.

Nesbitt Missing. Toronto—All efforts to locate Dr. Nesbitt, wanted in connection with the Farmers bank case, have so far proved unavailing. It was rumored yesterday that he was in the United States but now it is generally believed that he is hiding in this city. Descriptive pamphlets have been sent broadcast throughout the country.

Bit Tongue, Dies. Ottawa—A peculiar accident happened here yesterday when Celeste Hull fell down on the sidewalk and bit his tongue. A physician was called but all attempts to stop the flow of blood was unavailing and death resulted.

Masons Celebrating. Selkirk—Prominent masons from all parts of the province are gathering here today to celebrate the fortieth anniversary of the local lodge.

Prisoners Were Heroes. Toronto—Several prisoners proved themselves real heroes here today when two cars fell the rails on the C.P.R. and falling down an embankment turned turtle. Three of the men, who were being taken to the central prison were freed and one all the power to assist the passengers to escape, then turned themselves over to the constable in charge. A report on their heroism has been forwarded to the attorney general.

## JOSEPH FELS TO VISITS CITY FRIDAY

Famous Multi-Millionaire Philanthropist to Tell Canadian Club Something of His Work

Joseph Fels, who is probably the most famous man for his size in the world today, will be the guest of Edmonton citizens from Thursday night till Friday night this week.

Joseph Fels is a multi-millionaire who is trying to abolish the conditions that makes millionaires and tramps. He is not much bigger physically today than when he was born, but his work has made him famous throughout the world.

Mr. Fels will reach Edmonton on Thursday evening on the late train from the south. On Friday at one o'clock he will address the Canadian Club on the subject of "The problem of poverty."

Giving \$1000 a Day. Mr. Fels is a native of West Virginia but today divides his residence about equally between London and Philadelphia. He is giving away \$1000 a day for the advancement of the taxation of land values, as advocated by Henry George, which involves the whole single tax. He holds that the basis of all poverty are the privileges extended under the law to various interests.

His line of work has been largely philanthropic. He purchased a large

area in Hollesly, England, divided it into small holdings of from five to ten acres, built houses thereon, and threw them open to the population of that London.

Another philanthropy financed by Mr. Fels is the "Vacant Land Cultivation societies," in both London and Philadelphia. These societies get permission from the owners of vacant land to allow the poor people to cultivate it. The societies provide tools and seed, and a superintendent to instruct the poor people.

He is one of the largest contributors

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EVENTS TONIGHT.

Bowling, Olympic league—Cubs vs. International Harvester company.  
Hockey, Provincial league—Varsity vs. Strathcona, at Strathcona, game starts at eight o'clock.  
Mercantile league games at Excelsior rink—Morris vs. Hudson's Bay.  
Curling—Royal Canadian Bonspiel at the Granite, Capital City and Strathcona rinks.  
Empire Theatre—Summers Stock company in "The Bells."  
Lycium Theatre—Hunt's Musical Comedy company in "A Honeycomb Trail."  
Bijou Theatres—First Street and McDougall Avenue—Moving Pictures.

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## COUNCIL APPOINT SPECIAL COMMITTEE

TO TAKE UP AMALGAMATION QUESTION COMMITTEE OF STRATHCONA COUNCIL SLAUGHTER HOUSE TO BE CLOSED

An important step in the direction of amalgamation of the cities of Edmonton and Strathcona was taken by the council last evening, when a committee was appointed to act jointly with the board of trade in the selection of a body of representative citizens to carry on negotiations with the sister city. Mayor Armstrong and Alds. Hyndman, McInnis and Landy will form the council committee, and will meet at an early date a committee of five members of the board of trade. The joint committee will nominate a number of citizens who will meet the representatives of Strathcona to discuss terms of union.

The question was broached by Mayor Armstrong, who declared that the time is ripe for the opening of negotiations, and suggested the appointment of a committee. Ald. Hyndman suggested that O. M. Biggar, A. C. Foster, G. S. Kirkpatrick and J. E. Dowssett act with the committee appointed by the council, in discussing the basis of amalgamation. To Ald. Grindley it appeared that the board of trade should first be consulted, and

this course was decided upon. The selection of the personnel of the negotiating body will be entirely in the hands of the joint committee.

Close Slaughter House. The P. Burns slaughter house will be closed down as soon as an injunction against them has been obtained by the city solicitor. The application for an injunction will come before Justice Scott on Friday morning.

As has been anticipated the council were evenly divided on the question of an extension of time to the P. Burns Co. and Mayor Armstrong by his casting vote decided against further delay. Ald. Landy in urging that the abattoir be closed down immediately, declared that "when the city got up against a company that would not obey the law, and that was not trying to abuse the nuisance complained of, they should not give them any favors." If the company were granted the two months' extension which would enable them to run until

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## IS EDMONTON TO BE CHEATED OUT OF NORTH LAND TRADE?

C. N. R. NOW GETTING CHARTER FOR LINE TO FORT McMURRAY FROM PRINCE ALBERT, WHICH WILL CARRY TRADE AWAY EASTWARD

Is Edmonton at last to be cheated out of its rightful claims to the trade of the big agricultural and mineral country to the north-east of the city, by the construction of a line into Fort McMurray district from the east, instead of into Edmonton, as was at one time planned by the Rutherford administration?

Some weeks ago the Capital forecasted the construction by the Canadian Northern Railway of a line in from the east, to the Fort McMurray country which would carry the great trade of that section of the north eastward, thus cutting off Edmonton for incorporation to build, among other lines, a branch line north west from Prince Albert to the Athabasca river. That line will tap the Fort McMurray country and will continue, it is expected, to join the C.N.R. from Edmonton at Athabasca Landing.

Who this line is built—and the railway company expect to commence construction next year—it is very unlikely that for some years at least, there be built a road from Edmonton north-east. If that is the case, Edmonton will be robbed of the trade of the McMurray country which will naturally go east for some years yet at least. The only way that trade can come in to Edmonton from that country will be round via Athabasca Landing.

Were Willing to Build. It is stated that both the Grand Trunk Pacific and Canadian Northern Railways were willing to take over from the Alberta Government, the bond money of the Alberta and Great Waterways Railway, and build a road from Edmonton to Fort McMurray. But no such arrangement has been made, and the bond money is being diverted to the general revenue of the province, with no provision yet made for the construction of a railway into that country.

It is evident that the Canadian Northern realizes the value of a road that will tap the resources of the Athabasca district, and it is assumed that they will do some construction on that line next year.

## WEALTHY FARMERS LOOKING FOR LAND IN PEACE RIVER

PARTY OF 25 MONIED MEN FROM MINNESOTA COMING NEXT SUMMER—MAILS HEAVY WITH ENQUIRIES FOR PEACE RIVER LAND

With \$5000 in cash in his pocket, five teamloads of supplies and an unbounded faith in the country and himself, a settler started from Edmonton for the Grande Prairie last week. He was a native born American who had come up from the States to farm on a big scale in the northwest.

This settler will operate a big farm in the Grande Prairie. He sold his arm in Montana, and came to Edmonton with the cash in his pocket. After purchasing his supplies and farm implements, he had \$900 left. He bought five next spring started out.

This incident illustrates the class of settler that is now demanding information, regarding the Peace River country, and is preparing to take up land there. Dozens of them are coming next spring and summer. All of them with money too.

Wealthy Party Coming. On the desk of the immigration officer at the immigration hall this morning, there lies a letter from a farmer in Minnesota which tells of an exodus from his part of the country that is going to take place next summer. He wants information for himself and his neighbors, on the Peace River country.

Monday the board of trade officials received sixty-two enquiries for land in this section of the province, and for information. Yesterday they received forty and today fifty.

BASEBALL  
CRICKET  
FOOTBALL  
BOWLING  
BASKETBALL

# News of Sport at Home and Abroad

ROWING  
LACROSSE  
ATHLETICS  
THE RING  
WRESTLING

## SPORT COMMENT

### ATTELL GETS HIS FROM COSTER

Attell got his when he ran up against Joe Coster in New York the other day. It was only the ropes that saved Attell from being flogged and even so that he covered around the ring during the entire last round of the fight. He failed to display his old time cleverness. With the exception of one round according to the papers from New York Attell never got a look in on the fighting. Says the New York World about the scrap: "Now, much to the surprise of everybody, lashed his old cleverness. Whether he was 'pulling,' only the foxy Abe can say. But as it may, Coster had all the best of the bout in the matter of fine boxing. He jabbed Attell's face almost at will, finding his defense open and broken. On the contrary, Attell's punches, the few he landed, were of the avall-paw class."

### PROFESSIONAL MARATONERS STILL MAKE MONEY

While professionalism has received what would appear to be its final knockout blow in Canada, Tom Longboat, the Indian, and Alfred Shrubb, his English chum, still keep raking in the coin. But they are the only members of the pro outfit who are making much money these days although Hans Holmér did well as a result of his victory in the famous Powderhorn Marathon the other day. Shrubb and Longboat always drew big crowds, and at Boston recently they split \$2,000 between them, over \$4,000 being taken that night, the Bostonians always showing a readiness to follow the Indian or Shrubb. At Pittsburgh they ran for a guarantee of \$1,000, with the percentage rights, so that they are sure to pull down another thousand each during the next few days. This is real money, and is no small change when the condition of the running game at the present time is considered.

A cablegram has been received announcing the death in Germany of Lucien Lyne, one of the best known jockeys in the United States a few years ago. Lyne piloted Wych, winner in the American derby at Washington park race track in Chicago, riding for John A. Drake. Lyne was the cleverest sportsman in silk and the rarest game when he was in the derby. He rated with Taral, Sloan, Maher, Loizes, and Thorpe in the estimation of many of the former race patrons both in the east and the west. Lyne has been heard of Lyne since he went abroad, although it was understood that he had prospered immensely in handling race horses.

There are few fighters like Bill Lang, Australian heavyweight, according to Bob Edgren. "This is extraordinary," says Edgren. "This is the reason: Lang fought Al Kaufman in Philadelphia a few months ago with a broken hand. He was beaten. Lang was the original Canadian hope, but after the fight with Kaufman, the knowledge claimed he wouldn't do. But Lang didn't care about anyone's opinion. He neglected to inform the seers about his broken hand and let them go on chinking what they would about his prowess. Not a person, not even a physician, knew of the injury until several weeks after the fight with Kaufman. And then the information came from Danny Morgan, and not from Lang. (Most fighters, a little over nine-tenths of them, would have been beaten constantly had they broken a hand as Lang did.)"

New blood is likely to be infused into the N. L. U. next year, too, for financiers down east announce their willingness to back another club. A new team would probably have splendid effect in every way, enlarging the scope of the association, promoting the national sport materially, etc. Thus the N. L. U. does not even exist in the minds of those who have been chiefly due to the limited number of real good lacrosse players, but with the slow, chugging increasing revival of the game, some good promising material is being developed that should shortly develop the ranks of the old organization. It is not decided whether this club will spring up at Montreal backers might rise to the occasion. The rumor was manufactured there at any rate.

## Y.M.C.A. DEFEATS MONEY CHANGERS

Bankers Sink to Last Place in League Standings as Result—Score 3-3

Y.M.C.A. 3, Bankers 2.  
The score indicates a pretty close game, but the Y.M.C.A. had much the better of it in the first half running shots on the money changers' goal. At half time the score was three to nothing for the 7 boys but in the second part the Bankers made a rally, shaving two through the posts. But for the splendid work of Kid Clark in the Bankers' goal the score would have been much larger.

Slow Game.  
The game was scarcely a brilliant exhibition of how hockey should be played. Neither team displayed much ability to play the game after the approved manner. The Y.M.C.A. did much the better team work but their shooting was off color. Two of the Bankers' lineup played a good game, Aldous and McKenny, but they could do but little.

Y. Defence Improved.  
The Y.M.C.A. defence showed remarkable improvement. Lyons and Watt checked hard and aggressively and Wright played a star game in goal, although he got only four shots to stop in the first half.

How They Played.  
Bill on the right wing of the Y.M.C.A. team did not play as vigorously as usual and his shots from the wing were taken before coming close enough to the goal and before the centre men were in close enough to take it on the rebound. If he would wait a moment to allow the centre and rover to get in front of the net there would be more goals scored from his shots.

Not Aggressive.  
Burns likewise was not aggressive and did not show up particularly. Other thousand each during the next few days. This is real money, and is no small change when the condition of the running game at the present time is considered.

McKenny and Aldous for the Bankers played the best game and Kid Clark in goal was the particular surprise of the game. His work last night would indicate that no goal-keeper in the league has a great deal on him. Franks and Taylor did some good work, but Walbridge didn't seem to be there at all the time.

The attendance was rather slim, there being about 100 people present. Jack Winchester refereed and kept the game well in hand all the time. There were very few fouls that escaped him during the entire match.

The Scoring.  
Douglas scored the first goal for the Y. on a rebound from one of Bill's shots after about eight minutes' play. Chown made the second as the result of a long rush by the hole forward line and Douglas again bulged the net for the third in the same way as the first about six minutes from the end of the half.

In the second half the Bankers made a rally breaking away for several rushes and succeeding in pushing two through. Franks was responsible for the first and Taylor for the second.

The lineup of the teams was as follows:  
Bankers. Y.M.C.A.  
Wright.....goal.....Clark  
Lyons.....point.....Goodrich  
Aldous.....cover.....McKenny  
Burns.....centre.....Walbridge  
Chown.....left wing.....Taylor  
Bill.....right wing.....Franks  
Referee and Judge of Play—Jack Winchester.

The Goals.  
1st—Douglas, Y.M.C.A.  
2nd—Chown, Y.M.C.A.  
3rd—Douglas, Y.M.C.A.  
Second Half.  
4th—Franks, Bankers.  
5th—Taylor, Bankers.

The Toronto Eastern League team will do its spring training in Maroon, Ga.

## TABER CINCHES S. CHAMPIONSHIP

Championship of Lethbridge Division of Provincial League Practically Decided

The championship of the southern division of the Alberta league is practically decided and Taber is the winner. The following from the Lethbridge Herald show how the teams stand:

Taber may now be safely declared the winners of the southern division of the Provincial hockey league. They have played each team of the league and have been victorious. Pincher Creek has played Taber two games, pulling off a tie in one, being defeated in the other.

The league closes Feb. 15. By that time the clubs are required to play all home and home games. Macleod has a chance to win, however, but Taber has a comfortable lead. Macleod has four games to play yet, one apiece with Lethbridge and Taber, and two with Pincher.

Taber is very confident of giving Macleod the short end of the scoring when they meet in the mining town, after putting it over them on their own ice last night.

The five Cocks who are included in the lineup of the Taber aggregation, have developed a systematic style of play which has all the appearance of championship class and they are out to win.

Standing Southern Division  
Won Lost Pts.  
Taber.....4 0 1000  
Macleod.....1 1 500  
Pincher.....0 1 000  
Lethbridge.....0 3 000

### Y. M. C. A. WRESTLING CLUB

The Y. M. C. A. Wrestling Club got away to a good start last night with a big attendance and some good matches. Kenny Blatchford is the instructor, so the Y. ought to turn out some good wrestlers before long. It is expected that matches will be arranged for the amateur championship of the province in the near future.

### NEGOTIATIONS OFF

St. Louis, Mo., Jan. 18.—Negotiations for the sale of the St. Louis Browns baseball club to St. Louis syndicate were declared off this morning by R. L. Hodges, who will retain his majority interest. He also gave positive assurance that he will appoint a manager this week, and that Bobby Wallace will be his choice.

### HERMAN IS OPPOSED TO RADICAL CHANGES

Cincinnati, Jan. 18.—Chairman August Hermann, of the National commission, whose committee has appointed a member of the baseball rules committee, will oppose radical changes in the code, especially the proposed three-ball and three-strike rule.

"Nothing disgusts fans so quickly as a procession of batters going to first base on balls," said Hermann in explaining his attitude last night. "The pitching records show it is difficult to get three strikes over before four balls. Reduce the number of called balls to three and there would be 100 many bases on balls."

### GRAND RACING CIRCUIT

Dates were set a few days ago for the race meets in the Grand Circuit. They are as follows:  
Indianapolis—July 10 to July 15.  
Kalamazoo, Mich.—July 10 to 22.  
Grand Rapids—July 24 to 29.  
Detroit driving club—July 31 to August 5.  
North Randall, Cleveland—August 7 to 12.  
Buffalo—August 12 to 20.  
Cochran, August 20 to 26.  
Realville—August 28 to Sept. 2.  
Hartford—Sept. 4 to 9.  
Syracuse—Sept. 11 to 15.  
Detroit—Sept. 18 to 23.  
Columbus—Sept. 25 to Oct. 7.

Hugh Jennings thinks that Connie Mack's pitching staff will slump next season and that the Tigers will beat out the champions.

Bud Sharpe, the Doves' first baseman, may split the game for good. He is at present managing a farm in Georgia for George Stallings and likes the job.

## VARSITY MEETS SCOTIA TONIGHT

Lacomb Wants a Game With the Deacons Hockey Talk Among the Fans

A gentleman from Lacomb wandered into town yesterday trying to get a game arranged between the Deacons and Lacomb hockey squad. He brought with him \$1,000 he says from the good people of Lacomb with which to back their bunch but he did not succeed in placing it, for the reason that he did not succeed in getting the game arranged. After the season is over and they have the provincial championship nicely tucked away they will consider the matter from Lacomb.

Varsity vs. Scotia.  
The Varsity bunch run up against a hard proposition tonight when they meet Scotia. Varsity has at present a higher standing in the league than Scotia but this is because they have boxed up against the Deacons only. The fans favor Scotia as the winners. The Scotia team since its defeat at the hands of the Deacons seems to be getting disorganized and it is believed that at least two of the players have left or will leave the city, so the Varsity might catch another victory.

### PROVINCIAL LEAGUE STANDING

Won Lost Pts.  
Deacons.....4 0 1000  
Varsity.....2 1 667  
Scotia.....1 2 333  
Y.M.C.A.....1 2 333  
Bankers.....0 3 000

## SCOTCHMAN TELLS CURLING TROUBLES

Old Countryman's Experience on Canadian Ice at the Start—His Explanation

A Scotchman who curled in his native country is telling the Regina Leader his experience on renewing acquaintance with the game in Saskatchewan. He was no novice under European conditions, for he had been a skip for years and twice had visited Switzerland for a fortnight curling at Christmas, but he found himself all at sea on Canadian ice. At first he could not get his stones more than half way up the rink, and sprained his thumb doing that. After half a dozen ends he tried the next rink, and there he could not hold his hand. The stones went flying off to the boards in spite of his determination to go easy. This is his explanation—

"It is not the fact of playing indoors nor yet the fact of playing with artificial light that makes the difficulty; it all lies in the hack! This at once alters the whole conditions of play. For as I can see the stones, I can see the ice, and I can see the unavoidable absence of any player; then three members will have to continue play under the constitution, but no rink will be allowed to continue with less than three players.

4. If any rink is not ready at the hour fixed for any match, one end shall be counted as played for every two minutes delay. The rink not ready to play at the hour fixed shall forfeit one point for each such period of time.

5. In the event of a disagreement between skips, the decision of the umpire shall be final. The umpire at the close of each game shall, together with the skips, sign the score card.

6. Where no specific rule is given to apply to competitions, the general rules of the Alberta branch R. C. C. shall apply.

7. All draws shall be made by the Bagnall-Wyld system, and skips will have no accept of responsibility in regard to having their men on hand at the specified time for play.

8. All trophies, tankards and cups shall, unless otherwise provided for, remain in the property of the Alberta Branch R. C. C., but winners of such who may desire to retain them for any stated time, may have them upon giving ample security for their safe return.

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## BONSPIEL STARTS ENTHUSIASTICALLY

Many Curlers Curl Many Draws Today—Rules Under Which Draws Will Be Played

The big Bonspiel got off to a good start this morning when a bunch of the draws for the Grand Challenge were played off at the various sheets of ice in the city and Strathcona. The results will be found on another page. There are already 300 curlers in the city from all over this province and Saskatchewan. Considerable difficulty is being experienced, however. Many of the cranes are blocked up and late and the players will not be able to get into the city until tonight. The failure of so old the men to arrive at the scene made some confusion in the draws made last night.

The headquarters at McDougall avenue was a scene of activity last night. At times the place was crowded with curlers and there was a great pile of stones in front of the building.

The following draws for the Grand Challenge will be played this afternoon:

### GRAND CHALLENGE Draws at 12:30

1.—Walsh, Strathcona vs. Moore, Capitals.  
2.—Freese, Calgary vs. Bown, Strathcona.  
3.—Fraser, Capital vs. Martin, Capitals.  
4.—McBrien, Castor vs. Staples, West.  
5.—Walters, Bankhead vs. Smith, Calgary.  
6.—Horion, Vegreville vs. McLean, Strathcona.  
7.—Bentley, Stettler vs. Dunlop, Gannicks.  
8.—Judge, Forin, Granite vs. O'Donnell, Daysland.  
9.—Alexander, Banff vs. McCleish, Granite.  
10.—McLeod, Calgary vs. Slater, Vermilion.  
11.—Smale, Capitals vs. Ritchie, Strathcona.  
12.—Onsm, Irma vs. Walker, Vegreville.  
13.—Ross, Wainwright vs. Campbell, Capital.

All draws will be played under the following rules:  
1. Play to commence each day at 9 a.m., 12:30 p.m., 3:30 p.m., 7:00 p.m., and 10:00 p.m. The opening games at 9:00 a.m. of Wednesday, January 18th, 1931.

2. Rinks entered for any competition must have four active players and go through the match as entered, no substitute being allowed. All players must be in good standing in their respective clubs prior to the bonspiel.

3. In the event of a rink becoming incapacitated through illness of the skip, the rink may be replaced by an unavoidable absence of any player; then three members will have to continue play under the constitution, but no rink will be allowed to continue with less than three players.

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## TAIL ENDERS WIN THREE FROM B. MEN

Completely Outroll the Mounted Capitalists on the Y.M.C.A. Alleys Last Night

The Tailenders grabbed all three games in the Y.M.C.A. bowling league last night. The Business Men scarcely got a look in at any stage of the game, they being outrolled individually and collectively. The scores, however, were rather poor, the highest rolled being 188.

Tailenders.  
Cranton.....166 152 170—488  
Wollan.....153 149 165—467  
Dykes.....125 111 157—393  
Bagley.....121 122 168—477  
Seward.....175 152 181—514

Business Men.  
Ward.....129 124 110—363  
Crosby.....163 160 165—488  
Benthart.....104 159 164—427  
Aldrich.....108 105 124—337  
Jackson.....149 177 130—456

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### WANT PRESIDENT'S JOB

The sporting editors of four daily journals at Minneapolis and St. Paul are looking for the job of president of the Western Canada League. They are: Force, of the Minneapolis Tribune; Ritchie (O'Loughlin), of the Minneapolis Journal; McInerney, of the St. Paul Dispatch, and Baron of the Minneapolis News.

### JOHNSON THINKS IT MUST BE A BIG JOKE

New York, Jan. 18.—The \$50,000 offer of H. H. Frazer and Jack Gleason for a fight in London with Al Kaufman is too good to be true, said Jack Johnson today.

"It must be a joke," said the colored champion. "I can't make myself only, hope it is though, for I don't believe that it is on the square. I think of an easier way to make that big a pile."

In spite of his chatter, Johnson undoubtedly considers Kaufman the best heavyweight in the world besides himself. Al could easily beat Langford, Jeanette, or McVeay, Johnson says.

### WOLGAST'S ARM WELL

Chicago, Jan. 18.—Al Wolgast will come out of retirement Feb. 22, the anniversary of the day he won the title from Battling Nelson. Wolgast has agreed to fight George Mensie 29 rounds at Tom McCreary's California gym.

Wolgast says that his arm is now in good shape, and he will commence active training at once.

They are not going to allow smoking in the Ottawa rink during hockey matches hereafter and the clubs state that they are going to adopt drastic measures if necessary to enforce their ruling. They say there are two objections to the practise of smoking in the rink: first it annoys the ladies who are there and, secondly the rink becomes so filled with smoke that it is impossible to see across it. Ottawa fans must be enthusiastic smokers.

place of meeting.  
3. The draw for the first and second events on the programme will be made on Tuesday night, January 17, at 8 p.m.

5. All entries should be in the hands of the bonspiel secretary not later than Tuesday night, January 17, 1931, at 8 p.m.

When it Comes to a Question of Cigars

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## PRACTICING EXPLOSIONS

Washington, D.C., Jan. 18.—A mine explosion made it order to demonstrate the dangers of coal dust, the necessity of precautions in working the mines and the efficiency of life saving apparatus is to be undertaken in the near future by the newly established bureau of mines and mining. Agents of the bureau are now in the Pittsburgh district negotiating for the purchase of a mine in which the tremendous spectacle of a mine disaster may be staged. The made-to-order explosion, however, will be without the usual fatal consequences.

Government officials will explode this mine time and again for five hundred of miners, operators, members of congress and members of the state legislatures. Contrary to the general belief among mining people, the government experts hold that the dust of bituminous coal will explode, and they purpose demonstrating this until a valuable lesson has been taught.

The coal dust that fills every bituminous mine has been termed "heavy" and miners generally believe it harmless, but the scientists have discovered that the greatest mine disasters the world has known have been due to explosions of dust and not gas. Fire damp, which all miners fear, is not so dangerous as coal dust, because the presence of gas is always foretold in time by the lamps worn by the men.

Operators are just as skeptical as the men they employ, despite the fact that there have been repeated demonstrations in the experimental galleries at Pittsburgh that the dust will explode. The recent disaster near Calgary was attributed to gas by the owners of the mine, although no gas had ever been detected in the mine.

The importance of the experiments about to be conducted by the bureau of mines is told in the statistics of the death rate in American mines. It is a veritable scandal, for in the last ten years 20,000 miners have been killed in explosions, most of which have been due to coal dust. The death rate is five to the thousand annually, double the rate in England, the nation now most prolific of the lives of her workmen. The year 1907 had the greatest record of fatalities, with all the experts believe that in all the great disasters of that year coal dust and not gas was the cause. Here is the record:

Jan. 23—Primer, Cal. .... 24  
Jan. 26—Penco, W. Va. .... 12  
Dec. 29—Stuart, W. Va. .... 99  
Feb. 4—Thomas, W. Va. .... 25  
Dec. 1—Nomi, Pa. .... 15  
Dec. 6—Monongah, W. Va. .... 358  
Dec. 16—Yolande, Ala. .... 37  
Dec. 19—Darr Mine, Pa. .... 250

Total ..... 830

### Coal Dust Most Dangerous

This is the theory of coal dust explosion: Coal dust, mixed with air and heated to a great temperature, is simply gunpowder of another form. The dust is the carbon of charcoal of gunpowder. The mine air supplies the oxygen which sets off the explosion. For the hot, dry, heavy burning of a gunpowder the dust explosion supplies its own heat. Scientists have learned that almost all great explosions in mines occur during the winter usually at the beginning or end of winter. Rarely has there been a disaster of any consequence during the summer. Miners believe that explosions come in groups of three and mining industry bears this out. However, scientists do not ascribe this to fate. They explain both winter explosions and the groups of three or more by the dust theory.

During July and August the direct of mines become damp. The warm summer air, laden with moisture, pumped into the mines by the ventilating fans, does on the cool sides and floors of the headings and galleries. The dust heaps become sodden. The floating dust is dampened by the humid air and falls. The mine is comparatively safe in summer. However, a change comes quickly in the late fall. The cool air fanned in takes up the moisture from the mine air like a sponge, and presently the dried air takes up the moisture from the floors and walls. By December the mines are thoroughly dried out, as a rule the air is full of dry dust and one day the disaster comes. That it is usually followed by other disasters is simply evidence that other mines are dried out to the explosive point. Mid-winter and late winter explosions usually come when there has been a warm spell, followed by a sharp and longed drop in temperature.

The peculiarly fatal nature of dust explosions has been a source of wonder to the experts. Miners frequently go through gas explosions unharmed, but a dust explosion invariably takes the life of every man in the mine. Close study of the problem however, has given the government's experts a fairly clear idea of what happened in

the few seconds that transform a busy mine into a silent, smoking corpse-strewn tomb.

### Causes Great Heat

When the miners are blasting with heavy charges of powder there frequently lingers in the chamber after the explosion a large, red flame, which balloons dangerously for an instant and then puffs out harmlessly in smoke. The miners call this "flashing," and as a rule they see no danger in it. In fact, it is a warning that the mine is dangerously full of coal dust, for it is really a miniature dust explosion. When the "flashing" does not puff out in smoke, but floats slowly out of the chamber like a lurid will-o'-the-wisp, disaster is certain.

Leaving the chamber in which it has its source, the flame moves slowly for the first hundred yards, feeding on the air dust, thick about the drills, but the floating dust is not thick enough to sustain the flame far from the drills. Thus, when the flame reaches the edge of the volume of thick dust it pauses. It has carried unburned dust along with it, and freed from the choking smoke, this dust flares up. The heat of an electric urance is created in an instant in the enclosed space, the thick dust on floors and walls rises into smokeless incandescence, the gases of combustion suddenly expand, and the explosion bursts itself forward from that point.

The flame moves with incredible speed, so swiftly that the miner in its path does not have time to drop to the floor. The flame engulfs his falling body while it is still in the air, and it visits every portion of the mine wherever there is dust. With comet-like speed the head of the explosion rushes to the mouth of the mine and the open air, and it leaves nothing but death in its trail. Its terrific force is told by the fact that after such explosions the cinderized corpses of men who were a mile under the ground when the explosion came have been found on the surface, yards from the mine mouth, and its heat is equally terrific. When it reaches the shaft head, which is believed to be approximately 5,000 degrees arenheit at the center of the flame, is as its fiercest. All that keeps the explosion from rending the very bowels of the earth is that there is not enough of oxygen in the air to support full combustion and when the flame roars up the shaft to the upper air it shaves the sides of it clean of the steel and timbers. Buildings at the top of the shaft fall in an instant, and the flame takes a mighty leap into the air, hundreds of yards, and dies out in a cloud of smoke.

A gruesome illustration of the intensity of the heat of the flame at the mine's mouth was had in a recent disaster at a Pennsylvania slope mine. The shaft of this mine ran horizontally into a hillside, along which a road passed. At the exact instant of the explosion, a rural mail carrier was driving along this road, a hundred yards away, and was directly in front of the shaft. The blast of flame enveloped him, and man, horse and wagon crumbled into cinders. The government experts say that dust explosions can be prevented. That is the reason they want to give a few made-to-order explosions. Existing steam in the intake air current; so as to create humidity in the mines in winter, frequent sprinkling of the mines, washing down the walls with hose, covering floors and walls with stone dust, and the use of small flame-explosives are some of the safety measures proposed by the bureau of mines. The officials also contend that there must be better state and national laws to enforce safety measures and, above all, mine operators and miners must be awakened to the dangers of coal dust.

### THE END OF THE SEASON

There's a keen wind searching the marshes  
With a tang of the distant sea,  
And a wind-blown sky of opal  
For a sense of mystery—  
As dog and I, together,  
Sit close and curse the weather,  
And sigh for the gray-goose feather—  
While a cramp strikes to the knee.

There's a loneliness of Sahara,  
For a squadron fan-wise spread—  
As we sigh that the summer's over,  
Except for his patient head  
And his wet nose lifted to windward  
With our long tramps through the clover,  
I and this old land-rover,  
Though scarce a word is said.

There's a stealthy sea-gull stalking  
Across the grassy dune,  
As we turn us, empty-handed,  
With a half-forgotten tune—  
Some day we'll quit our roaming,  
Together, in the gloaming,  
Two shades that would be homing  
Beneath a hunting moon.

## ITALY'S YEAR ONE OF CALM

Luzzatti Ministry Has Done Much in the Way of Educating People

Rome, Jan. 17.—During the year that has just passed there have been no striking developments in any line in this country. Italy has had a year of calm prosperity. In the domain of politics the Luzzatti ministry, which came into office in March, has done much useful work in the way of performing and educating the people, and the surplus shown on its budget was all the more gratifying considering the unusually heavy claims on the exchequer.

The chief literary production of the year was the publication in an extended form of Crispien's "Diary of the Thousand." Sir Ernest Shackleton's lecture in Rome at the unveiling of the Shakespeare memorial at Verona attracted considerable attention at the time, while the clamor raised by Signor Nathan's speech at the Pia Pia has not yet disappeared.

The archaeological researches of Commendatore Boni on the Palatine and Professor Vaglieri at Ostia have brought to light some important discoveries.

The king has shown by his never-failing sympathy and ever-ready help how near the welfare of his kingdom to his people are to his heart, and consequently he is more popular than ever.

## SPANISH BANDIT DEFIES PURSUERS

Finally Yields However to the Pangs of Hunger and to the Cold

Madrid, Jan. 18.—Inglorious has been the sequel of the bandit Clementi who has held the country around Manzanera's terror stricken for a fortnight. It will be remembered that from ambush he treacherously shot at and killed a corporal of the Civil Guard, and wounded his companion, who were sent to arrest him. He afterwards committed the grave of a gamekeeper, breaking the man's arm with a bullet while doing so. Later, when besieged by a number of the Civil Guards in a farmhouse he escaped by putting up a dummy to be fired at while he escaped over a dark corner.

It appears that the man has been living miserably among the rocks and bushes of the hills; shivering with cold; feeding like a wild beast on pieces of bread found in the roads or on wild fruit. His father who had been finding weary up and down the hills and ravines looking for his son found him in a miserable condition, and ready to make an end of it all with his last bullet.

The two returned to Manzanera and entering the town hall knelt before the alcalde or mayor. The bandit, however, threatened to shoot his cane down on the floor and wept. "I am come to give myself up so as to cause no more mischief. Let what you will with me." The alcalde at once marched him off to prison, while the father left for Madrid to intercede with the authorities on behalf of this modern Don Quixote.

John C. Rudderham, formerly chairman of the Philadelphia Nationals, will umpire in the South Atlantic League next season.

## Curing Catarrh

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Catarrh is a disease of the mucous membrane. The mucous membrane, is one may say, the interior lining of the body. Catarrh therefore may exist in any part of the system. When the catarrh poisons attacks the mucous membrane, inflammation and congestion are produced and nature fails to throw off the accumulated poisons. The organ which has been afflicted ceases to perform its proper function as nature intended it should. The result is, complication upon complication, which may lead to other even more serious afflictions.

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Women's Fur-Lined Coats. Regular \$90.00 values. FUR SALE PRICE	59
Women's Fur-Lined Coats. Regular \$75.00 values. FUR SALE PRICE	49
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## GAS FRANCHISE SHOULD BE HANDLED VERY CAREFULLY

The International Company asks a twenty-five year franchise to supply gas at a rate which may not be high, but which certainly looks high.

Twenty-five years is a long time in the history of a city like Edmonton. Long before the expiration of such a franchise the city will have crossed the hundred thousand mark, and it is almost safe to say that it will reach the quarter million mark within the life of the franchise.

Gas at a price which might look right at the present time might be very dear gas five years from now, especially if natural gas is discovered in large quantities within a hundred miles of the city.

Before entering into any deal with the International people, it is up to the city council to discover just what can be done in the way of a municipal gas plant. Municipal ownership has not cost the citizens of Edmonton anything yet, and the service is comparatively as good here as in other towns similarly situated but supplied by private corporations, while the price to the patrons is undoubtedly much lower.

If municipal ownership works all right in the case of electric light, there should be no good reason why it should not work well in the case of gas before the city enters into an agreement to give away a franchise good for a quarter of a century.

The council cannot afford to go ahead until they have all the information available. The question is too big to take a jump at.

PATRONS NOT INTERESTED IN A MENAGERIE  
Once again when the estimates for the year are up we hear the same old story of delay in arriving at a programme for the year's work in the departments, and this time again it is in the electric light and power department that the delay is reported. The superintendent of power puts in his requisition and it fails to get through the city hall.

This is the same fatal mistake which has caused the patrons of the service all the inconvenience they have suffered in years past.

The fact that there is necessity for delay accentuates one thing very strongly, and that is that a mistake has been made in not furnishing the power plant with a uniform set of units, an addition to which would be merely a matter of adding another unit of the same type.

Had this policy been carried out, there would now be no cause for delay, any more than there would be delay in a newspaper office in adding another linotype to its battery, and the city hall would not have to go into any complex question of the merits of different machines, all, probably, about equally good.

There was certainly good ground for the criticism of the man from Montreal who said that the city's power house was a menagerie of machinery, and the commissioners, if they add new specimens, will add to that ground.

In the meantime, what the patrons of the service are interested in knowing is, what the chances are of a proper service next winter. They are not interested in a perpetuation of the menagerie business.

CANADIAN BANKING DEVELOPMENTS follow fast in the Farmers' Bank scandal. Professional and financial lights of heretofore well-established standing in the city of Toronto are implicated by a confession of Manager Travers after he had been convicted and sentenced to six years. Among these is no less a personage than Beattie Nesbitt, the erstwhile Conservative political boss of Toronto.

Whether the crowd who handled the Farmers' Bank did anything which other bank managers are not doing to a large extent every day, is a matter of grave doubt. It is accepted almost without question that many Canadian banks lend money to the directors thereof, and it is a matter of record that at the time of the panic three years ago no less than eighty millions of Canadian bank money was out on call loan in New York, being advanced on the very securities which were certain to come down with a crash in case the panic became as acute as at one time the circumstances indicated that it would.

While the money was out in New York legitimate Canadian institutions and mercantile firms in the west were being starved into bankruptcy and the western business men were done almost as acute an injury by that policy as were the eastern stockholders of the Farmers' Bank by the rascally policy which finally brought that institution into bankruptcy.

Indications are that the whole Canadian banking system needs an overhauling. The incident of the Farmers' Bank is merely the concrete evidence of the fact that the present system is not safe. It is one thing to put a bunch of directors and managers into jail after the resources of the bank have been dissipated, and quite another thing to protect the resources of the bank so that the directors cannot play with other people's money in a manner that neither they nor the other people would play with their own.

## THE INCINERATOR NEXT NUISANCE NEEDING ATTENTION

By giving his casting vote in favor of moving the Burns slaughter house out of Norwood, Mayor Armstrong put himself on the right side at the city council last night.

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Now that the slaughter house has been disposed of, let the city council get after the incinerator.

## COUNCIL APPOINTS SPECIAL COMMITTEE (Continued from Page One)

March 13, they would be in no better position to vacate their present premises than today.

Ald. Hyndman, while he agreed that the slaughter house must be closed down, was of the opinion that the slaughter house might not constitute a nuisance during the cold weather, and as the suggested arrangement provided that if the place did become offensive it might be closed down within twenty-four hours of the receipt of a complaint, he could see no objection to the extension of time. He moved that the action of the council at their informal meeting last Friday be endorsed. The vote was as follows:

For immediate closing down of the slaughter—Ald. Lundy, Miller, Goway, McKinley. For a two months' extension of time—Ald. Hyndman, McInnis, Mould, Grindley.

Information relative to the city's investigation into the power possibilities of Grand Rapids will be forwarded to the Department of the Interior by the commissioners. Copies of the Fielding report and blue prints will be mailed to the Department. Unless this is received within thirty days of the date of the under-secretary's letter the city's rights at Grand Rapids will lapse.

A renewed John Walter's license for the Edmonton-Strathcona ferry was granted.

Not Enough Power  
In reply to the complaint that Strathcona cars have been carelessly handled, Supt. Bisswanger wrote to the effect that low voltage on the system was responsible for the disorganization. Mayor Armstrong stated that a sufficient supply of power to run the system to high efficiency would be available by the middle of February.

An application by Mr. Goldsmith, contractor for the buildings at the exhibition grounds, for the payment of 3 per cent. on his contract was referred to the commissioners, with power to act.

A resolution endorsing the action of the Canadian Federation of Boards of Trade and Municipalities, in urging upon the Dominion Government the early construction of the Georgian Bay canal was carried on motion of Mr. Hyndman.

Accounts totalling \$137,421.82 will be paid on recommendation of the Finance Committee.

The Edmonton Concrete Co. sought to enter into negotiations with the city for the purchase of two acres of the old exhibition grounds for extensions to their plant. They will require, they stated, 22,000 feet of additional floor space during the coming season, to meet the increase in business which the year's business will entail. The matter was referred to the Industrial Committee.

The Parks committee will negotiate with the trustees of Alberta College, with a view to the purchase by the city, of a reasonable price to be obtained, of the broken bank from College avenue south to the C.P.R. tracks.

In 1910 the council offered \$20,000 for the whole of the property, or \$2000 for the house of the hill, and \$8000 for the portion between McDougall and grade and the C.N.R. tracks. This, Dr. Riddell stated in a letter to the council last evening, the trustees do not consider a sufficient figure. The property, if purchased, will be used for park purposes.

Defective Construction  
The Public Works committee and the commissioners will take up the matter of the defective construction of No. 5 firehall, and the excessive cost and unsuitable construction of the market building, with power to take such action as may be deemed necessary.

A by-law to authorize the borrowing of \$50,000 to meet the current expenditures of the city, was given three readings and finally passed.

Ald. Mould recommended that the question of fire inspection, to which reference was made in the report of the Public Works committee last week, could be more satisfactorily dealt with by by-law, than by the appointment of a new official to be governed by the present building by-law. The report was accordingly referred back to the committee, who will draft a by-law respecting fire inspection.

Gas Company Wants Franchise  
A committee consisting of Mayor Armstrong, Solicitor Brown and the public works committee, will take up the application of the Edmonton Heating and Light Co. for a gas franchise. If satisfactory terms can be arrived at, an agreement will be drawn up for submission to the council. The committee have power to add to their numbers.

The new market by-law which was drafted in committee of the whole at the last meeting, was given three readings and finally passed.

A grant of \$100 was made by the council to pay the passage to England of Mrs. H. H. Fraser, the widow of the late Constable Fraser of the City Police force.

J. Blue, Supt. R. B. Chadwick, Chief

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## Your Danger From Kidney Troubles

BEGINS WHEN YOUR BACK ACES.

Backache is the first and the sure sign of kidney disease.

When the back aches or becomes weak it is a warning that the kidneys are affected in some way.

Next to the heart, the kidneys are, perhaps the most important organs in the body. It is no wonder then that if the kidneys are affected the whole system must be.

On the first sign of backache Dr. Williams' Pink Pills should be taken. They go right to the source of the trouble, and the delicate membranes of the kidneys and make their action regular and natural.

Mr. E. J. Sander, Lillooet, B.C., writes: "I take a great deal of pleasure in telling you the benefit I have received from the use of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. I was troubled with my kidneys for several years; my back was weak, I had terrible headaches, and was so restless I could not sleep at night. I commenced with Dr. Williams' Pink Pills and in a very short time I was right and fit again."

Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, 10c per box or 3 for \$1.25, at all druggists or mailed direct on receipt of price by The T. M. M. Co., Toronto, Ont.

If ordering direct specify "Dear's."

## AT THE EMPIRE.

There will be an attraction extraordinary at the Empire Theatre to-night when the Summers Stock company will present Sir Henry Irving's version "The Bells." Mr. W. E. Blake will assume the role of Mathias. The supporting cast are all good and the scenery new and specially painted for this play. The mechanical and light effects which are an important factor are new and very elaborate. "The Bells" will be repeated Thursday night.

JOSEPH FELLS TO VISIT CITY FRIDAY (Continued from Page One)

Members to the fund of the united committee for the taxation of land values in London, and it was largely due to the fact that he financed the proposition that the people of Great Britain were prepared to accept the land values of the famous Lloyd George budget. In short, he proposed the people to demand the taxation of land values as advocated by Henry George.

Other Countries Benefited.  
Mr. Fells is also spending money for a similar purpose in Denmark, France, the United States, Canada, Australia and New Zealand. His policy has been to give dollar for dollar, by doubling any amount put up. He financed the People's Power League of Oregon, in several of the measures obtained through the initiative and referendum, or direct legislation.

He is providing half of a fund of \$5000 which is to be expended in the province of Manitoba to forward an educational propaganda, with a view to the incorporation of direct legislation as a part of the legislature machinery in the province.

HAS NOTHING TO SAY  
Commissioner Bouillon Refuses to Discuss Criticism Regarding Administration of Public Utilities

In conversation with The Capital this morning Commissioner Bouillon stated that he had received no official intimation of the criticisms of certain aldermen regarding the administration of the public utilities department. Until a complaint were formally laid, or the matter was brought up in an official way, he would have no reply to make to his critics.

Regarding the differences which are alleged to have arisen between the auditor and himself in regard to the introduction of the new accounting system in the departments, Com. Bouillon said that he was not aware of any differences of consequence. In discussion of the new system there might have arisen differences of opinion upon minor matters, but that was all, so far as he knew.

## SUBMARINE RAISED.

Kiel Germany, Jan. 18.—The work of raising the German submarine "U-3" which sank in the bottom harbor yesterday was completed early today. Three men who had remained in the vessel during the night were found dead in the water. The commander was one of the three.

The council, in committee of the whole, considered the report received from Toronto, Winnipeg, Calgary and Vancouver relative to the installation of water meters in private residences. It was decided to leave the matter over for six months, in view of the fact that the city cannot be sure of clean water during the spring of the year.

Grant to Y. M. C. A.  
Free water and light up to the value of \$1,500 will be granted the Y.M.C.A. during the year. The association will pay the bills and receive a quarterly refund from the city.

## ESTIMATES DELAYED

Power House Superintendent Says Commissioners Are to Blame—Latter Denies Responsibility.

When questioned by the Capital as to the reason for the delay in the submission of the capital estimates of the power house department, Commissioner Bouillon informed the Capital this morning that the delay was strictly up to the power house superintendent. The commissioners, Commissioner Bouillon said, instructed Supt. McNaughton in December last to prepare specifications and capital estimates as to the cost of the proposed installation of new machinery in accordance with a conversation regarding the superintendent's report which took place in the commissioners' office. Instructions were given for the preparation of specifications of two alternative types of turbines, for the proposed new 2000 kilowatt alternator.

## WINNIPEG MARKETS.

Winnipeg, Jan. 18.—The grain market held firm in all departments today. Following are the opening and closing prices:

May 95½, 95½.  
July 100½, 100½.  
Cash wheat—No. 1 Northern, 95½; No. 2 Northern, 92½; No. 3 Northern, 89½; No. 4 Northern, 87; No. 5 Northern, 84; No. 6 Northern, 81; No. 7 Northern, 78; No. 8 Northern, 75; No. 9 Northern, 72; No. 10 Northern, 69; No. 11 Northern, 66; No. 12 Northern, 63; No. 13 Northern, 60; No. 14 Northern, 57; No. 15 Northern, 54; No. 16 Northern, 51; No. 17 Northern, 48; No. 18 Northern, 45; No. 19 Northern, 42; No. 20 Northern, 39; No. 21 Northern, 36; No. 22 Northern, 33; No. 23 Northern, 30; No. 24 Northern, 27; No. 25 Northern, 24; No. 26 Northern, 21; No. 27 Northern, 18; No. 28 Northern, 15; No. 29 Northern, 12; No. 30 Northern, 9; No. 31 Northern, 6; No. 32 Northern, 3; No. 33 Northern, 0; No. 34 Northern, 0; No. 35 Northern, 0; No. 36 Northern, 0; No. 37 Northern, 0; No. 38 Northern, 0; No. 39 Northern, 0; No. 40 Northern, 0; No. 41 Northern, 0; No. 42 Northern, 0; No. 43 Northern, 0; No. 44 Northern, 0; No. 45 Northern, 0; No. 46 Northern, 0; No. 47 Northern, 0; No. 48 Northern, 0; No. 49 Northern, 0; 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### MEN FLEW IN AIR 100 YEARS AGO

Practical aviation is credited with being about five years old, but there is good documentary evidence that bold investigators during the early part of the nineteenth century and even earlier were meeting with some degree of success, although the absence of modern mechanical facilities limited their progress.

There was enough popular interest in their feats, judging by their standards of the times, but the absence of ready means of communication prevented any world wide enthusiasm over aviation as a sport. The deliberate tributes of chroniclers did little honor to these bold pioneers of the air, news and history frequently being recorded by the same stroke of the pen.

In some quaint old numbers of *Mechanics Magazine*, published in London in 1823, are found interesting accounts of early experiments prefaced by a paragraph, the sense of which has often been expressed in writings about aviation during the past few years. This is as follows:

"Though the science of aerostation is of very modern date yet there is every reason to believe it was not altogether unknown to the ancients."

Written in 1823, this seems to indicate that there was some pretension to progress in the art at that time.

Milton's History of Britain is quoted regarding the exploits of one Elmer, a monk of Malinesbury, who foretold the invasion of William of Normandy. "He in his youth, strangely aspiring, had made and fitted wings to his hands and feet; with these, on the top of a tower, spread out to gather air, he flew more than a furlong; but the wind being too high, he came fluttering down."

Another Incident That Is Related, took place about the year 1147, during the visit of Cassianus, the Turkish sultan, to Emanuel, the Greek emperor, at Constantinople. Anecdotes recollect that "amongst the quaint amusements of many of the sultan's great a trumpets, there was an active figure, who openly had given it out that against an appointed time, he would, from the top of an high tower in the city, fly by the space of a furlong; the report whereof had raised the city with a wonderful expectation of so strange a novelty. The time pressed being come and the people without number assembled, the Turk, according to his promise, upon the top of an high tower, showed himself, girted into many pious and religious robes made on purpose for the gathering of the wind; whereupon he, in a man, had many persons himself to have observed a great wait, was ready to take his flight, the beholders still laughing and crying out, 'fly, Turk fly! How long shall we expect thy flight?' The emperor, in the meantime still dissuading him from so desperate an attempt, and the sultan, between fear and hope, laughing in doubtful suspense what might happen to his countryman. The Turk, after he had a great while hovered with his arms abroad (the better to have gathered the wind, as birds do with their wings) and long seemed the expectation of the beholders, at length finding the wind fit, as he thought, for his purpose, committed himself, with his van hope, into the air; but instead of mounting aloft, this foolish leucis came tumbling down...."

An old book gives an account of an episode in the voyage of a French ambassador to the kingdom of Siam, which, the writer in *Mechanics Magazine* says, must have taken place nearly 150 years before, the embassy having taken place in 1684. It was about a festival arranged by the Siamese, at which it was made to appear that a man, seated on a cask under which gunpowder was placed, was blown high in the air, and descended safely by means of an umbrella. The raconteur of the episode was of the opinion that the cask contained an air balloon, and that the detonation of the powder was merely a ruse.

"The first in modern times," continues the article, "who succeeded to a certain extent in imitating the fowl of the air, was John Baptist Dante, a mathematician of Perugia, supposed to be a relation of the poet of the same name. He fitted a pair of wings so exactly to his body as to be really able to fly with them. He made the experiment several times over late Trasimenus, and succeeded so well that he had the courage to perform before the whole people of Perugia. He took his flight from the highest part of the city and directed his wings over the square, to the great admiration of the spectators." It is recorded, incidentally, in spite of this success the mechanism of one of the wings failed and let the flyer down.

There is an account of some experiments with a parachute by a man named Murray in 1790, which, however, were only partially successful. "In the year 1809," the article continues, "Mr. Degan, a watchmaker of Vienna, was said to have, at last, fully realized the views of the numerous projectors who preceded him, regarding the flight of men in the air. His machine was constructed on philosophical principles; and, like that of Elmer the monk, was designed to operate in a manner analogous to the wings of birds, while the effect partly resembled the closing of a parachute, stationary on its descent. A frame is made, principally consisting of rods of some strong but light material, on which the adventurer stands in an erect posture. A flat-shaped wing, nine feet long, eight feet broad at the swell, and terminating in a point, proceeds from that part of the frame close to each shoulder; and a fan-shaped tail, apparently connected with both wings, proceeds from behind as far as their swell; each wing is connected like a parachute; and by a series of cords from the different ribs composing it, can be suddenly contracted, so as to give percussion against the air; and consequently, by its resistance, produce ascension. It is not sufficiently explained, how the working of the machine is effected; but it is to be inferred that it is done by elevating, depressing or revolving a crank, connected at each extremity with the series of cords which display or contract the wings. Mr. Degan is said not only to have mounted high in the air by his machine, but to have exhibited a flight resembling that of a bird; not consisting merely in ascent or descent, but in real aerial navigation."

The article is illustrated with a wood-cut of the aeronaut Dante, poised in the air over Perugia, designed "by the ingenious Craig and reproduced by the graver of the skillful Sears." This cut represents Dante at an altitude higher than the top of a church spire, but it is uncertain how far the picture is accurate and how far fanciful.

Another article, published two weeks later (Sept. 13, 1823) in the same magazine, describes the balloon ascent and parachute descent of Mlle. Garnerin, daughter of M. Garnerin, the first person who made a parachute descent in England. The daughter succeeded her father in his adventurous undertakings. An account of Mlle. Garnerin's ascent from the Champ de Mars, Sunday, April 28, 1816, is given by an eyewitness as follows:

"The weather was favorable, being fine with a light steady breeze; and Paris had sent forth all its chivalry to witness the show. The sun shone, and the countenance of the people, ever dressed in fashionable smiles, gave a cheerful hilarity to the scene. The hour fixed for the ascent was three o'clock, but, as usual on such occasions, it was two hours later before everything was prepared. Then the loud-mouthed gun told the event to all Paris, and the balloon, with Miss Garnerin hanging beneath it waving her flags as an eagle flutters his wings, rose majestically upwards. Miss Garnerin was calm and unruffled. After rising slowly, and taking a north-easterly direction, across the Seine, for about 20 minutes, when she had reached the elevation of nearly half a mile, another gun was fired, and the intrepid heroine cut the cord, and hastened back to mother earth. Continuing its northeast direction, the parachute passed over the villages of Chaillet and Passey, and descended with the lady unhurt in two woods at Boulogne. Numbers of the people who had followed with as much haste as possible on horseback, in carriages, and on foot, soon surrounded her; she was extricated without any difficulty from her aerial car, mounted on a horse, attended by all the cavaliers who could get near her, and conducted in glad triumph back to Paris.

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### CHANGES IN CIVIC ACCOUNTING SYSTEM

Commissioner Bouillon has effected a number of changes in the accounting systems of certain of the civic departments, with a view to bringing systems into line with the bookkeeping methods regular to the departments. Among the departments affected are the electric light and power department. In his letter to Supt. Ormsby

the commission states that the changes are being adopted with the object of "reconciling the accounts with the methods of the electric light department."

### DATE FIXED.

London, (C.A.P.) Jan. 18.—The marriage of Count De Lesseps, aviator, and Miss MacKenzie, daughter of Sir Wm. MacKenzie of Toronto, will take place on January 25.

## Home Course In Health Culture

### XII.—Home Care of the Eyes

By EUGENE L. FISK, M. D.  
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We credit most our sight, one eye doth please  
Our trust far more than ten ear with discourse.

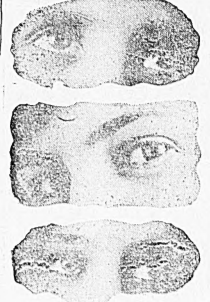
**I**F we agree with the hard-headed, "grossly materialistic" philosopher who contended that "the brain secretes thought just as the liver secretes bile," then indeed the eye is the "window of the soul." However, the eye is at least the window of the brain and in most intimate relation with that organ as well as with the general nervous system. In the sense that the eye reflects the emotions of the individual it is not so much the "window of the soul" as some people imagine. If the muscles of the eye surrounding the eye were paralyzed the eye itself would have little power of expression.

**Proper Illumination.**  
The human eye was originally adapted to daylight, and until the invention of printing the demands upon the eyes of the average man were mostly for distant vision in the sunlight and artificial light for reading, especially by artificial light.

Under modern conditions both light and literature are at the command of the humblest citizen, although the literature, like the light, is not always of the best.

Probably the best quality of light for the eye is that of the coal oil lamp, provided a proper burner and shade are employed. The only objection to this light is the inconvenience of looking after it and the heat from its proximity.

The worst form of light is the flickering gas flame which contains many yellow, irritating rays and is very objectionable on account of its unsteadiness. The Welsbach attachment overcomes these objections, but unless the



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eyes are shielded from this light its dazzling whiteness will prove irritating. The incandescent electric light is also trying to the eye, although it gives an excellent quality of illumination. If the pupils are shaded from the eye and made of ground glass, as they should be in dwelling rooms, the electric light is an ideal method of illumination, as it does not consume or vibrate the air, as is the case with the gas flame or oil lamp.

#### Correct Reading Position.

The position of the body while reading is almost as important as the quality of the light. The habit that some people have of reading in bed is usually injurious, not simply because physicians "do not believe in it," but for very definite reasons. The body is often held in a strained position, with the head bent forward, raising congestion of the eyes. If the book be placed upon a pillow or rest and the head bent in a natural position little injury will result. Properly adjusted bookworms will continue to read in bed and "scootch" themselves up in all kinds of strained positions in their library chairs, notwithstanding all warnings, and eye strain, with its train of ills, will continue to distress them.

But with children a correct position and light supply while writing or reading is really of vital importance. Curvature of the spine may result from constant misposition at the school desk, or while reading at home. Eye strain in the child may retard mental development and leave a lasting impression on both mind and physique. The child should be trained to sit erect, with the shoulders squared. A desk that is too low or too high will compel an awkward position, especially when writing. Desks should never be placed so that the light shines in the pupils' faces.

#### Structure of the Eye.

Without entering into the elaborate details of the anatomy or physics of the eye a word regarding its structure and refractive elements will assist in a proper understanding of the injury that may result from neglect or abuse of this delicate yet long suffering and resistant organ.

The eyeball is imbedded in a bony

socket with an overhanging rim which well protects it from external injury.

The eye communicates with the brain through the optic nerve, which passes through a hole in the back of the bony eye socket and spreads out on the inner surface of the cavity of the eyeball to form the retina. The crystalline lens and its ligaments divide the eye into two chambers, the anterior and the posterior. The anterior chamber is very small and lies between the cornea, or outer surface of the eye, and the lens. It is filled with a fluid called aqueous humor. The posterior chamber is large and constitutes the cavity of the eyeball behind the crystalline lens. It is filled with a transparent, jellylike substance, the vitreous humor. This is a circular, muscular curtain, an extension of one of the coats of the eyeball, which by dilating or contracting controls the amount of light admitted to the interior of the eye. The shape of the crystalline lens is also controlled by the little ciliary muscles.

**Varieties of Defective Sight.**  
Astigmatism is caused by an inequality in the curvature of the cornea. This may occur in any meridian of the eye and requires glasses that will so bend the rays as to correct the defect caused by the irregular surface.

**Nearsightedness.**—This is caused by an unduly long eyeball from before backward. The rays of light meet before they reach the retina. The cornea in such cases is usually abnormally convex.

**Farsightedness.**—This is caused by a short eyeball from before backward. The rays of light fail to meet before they reach the retina.

In both of the above conditions a distorted image is formed, and glasses are required either for near or distant vision.

The degree of injury that results from errors of refraction depends upon the temperament and constitution of the individual as well as the extent of the error. Just as a little tobacco or alcohol in the nervous system produces chaos in the nervous system so will a slight refractive error in a person of unstable nervous organization cause a profound disturbance of the general health.

When a refractive error exists the ciliary muscles endeavor to correct it by altering the shape of the lens. Unless the error is extreme the effort is usually successful, and the patient thinks he has good eyesight. But a condition of tension exists in the mechanism of accommodation which will be reflected in a long train of nervous symptoms, especially headaches, unless the subject is of an especially robust and resistant type.

If the eye were a lifeless optical instrument any shopkeeper would be qualified to test it and with a little training could prescribe correct glasses. As the eye is a living organ it should be tested with due regard to that fact and by a physician who can study the eye conditions as a whole and not alone the optical conditions which have been created by a combination of the refractive error and the patient's effort to correct it. By certain drugs the accommodation of the patient is overcome, and the full degree of error is revealed. The moral is not to trifle with the "window of your brain" by letting some man on the street fit you with glasses. You will save money and health by going to the "man who knows," a physician trained to the work.

When glasses are required they should be worn—the earlier the better. Some people keep away from the oculist just as they keep away from the dentist, saying, "I don't need them."

#### Bathing the Eyes.

Ordinarily the eyes are kept clean by the secretion of the lacrimal glands, which is a weak saline fluid. When the eyes are irritated by dust or slight irritation a solution of boracic acid, ten grains to the ounce of distilled water, is a useful preparation. Pure water is irritating and should not be rubbed or dripped into the eyes. There are no mysterious or magical eye waters or cures for cataract. The latter trouble is for the surgeon. All such nostrums either contain simple poisons, in which case they are harmless, but unduly expensive, or they contain powerful drugs, which may damage the eye, and do not cure it, and are dangerous when self administered. In using eye lotions the eye dropper is preferable to the eye cup. The latter washes the margin of the lids and may carry infectious matter to the delicate membrane covering the eyeball.

An acute inflammation like cold compresses made of gauze and wrung out in boracic acid solution should be used later on but otherwise may prove more serviceable and soothing.

When any member of the household has inflamed eyes he should exclude great care not to let the eyes be touched with anything but the most carefully sterilized, and compresses or handkerchiefs should be burned or sterilized.

#### Care of Children's Eyes.

The eyes of school children should be examined from time to time and errors of refraction corrected. Those with inflamed eyes should be sent home and treated with boracic acid solution. The eyes of the new baby should be carefully cleansed with boracic acid solution. Any signs of inflammation should call for immediate medical attention or serious results, even blind vision, may follow.

The care of the eyes should begin in childhood. When errors of refraction are found glasses should be worn regardless of prejudice. Long life and good health may depend upon two small disks of glass.

### AND SHE ATE IT

A self-possession young woman strolled into a large downtown cafe. She spoke to the waiter in that decisive tone which distinguishes the initiated, and glanced over the French bill-of-fare with the nonchalant air of a Parisienne.

"I'll have," she began firmly, as she plunged into the sea of French dishes. "I'll have—let me see—oh, yes, I'll have some bisque tortoni, a Salsola roll, pommes de terre and a little of that fromage. And, garçon, you might as well bring me a cup of coffee."

The waiter gazed. He started to

ask, but the young woman from him with one of those icy stares peculiar to the thoroughly sophisticated. And the order arrived—two kinds of bisque, boiled potatoes, and a piece of cheese. But she ate it as if she had been used to that sort of diet all her life.

They say in restaurants, grill rooms and cafes, that it's quite customary for guests to order boiled eggs and four varieties of stewed prunes when they really want a roast of pork and apple sauce. The young woman's mistake was not unusual. But still the head waiters and the

chefs throw up their hands and with many gestures and with a perfectly good Swiss accent declare that the dear old language du France will never be stricken from bill-of-fare as long as they have a skillet or a rolling pin to fight the project.

Another Dove signed. On the recommendation of little Jerry McCarthy, the mascot of the Boston Red Sox, manager Fred Tenney has appointed "Mikey" Clarke the official chaser of jinks for the Boston Nationals.



## BIG FUR SALE

OUR representative in the east has just shipped us the finest selection of Fur Coats and pieces imaginable. He bought practically at his own price from a manufacturer hopelessly overstocked in the higher grade qualities. Some of the lines being particularly suitable for our class of trade and with the above consideration, we expect to clear the lot by Saturday.

### Note the Following Prices:





**\$65.00 Men's Coats \$36.95**

Amongst other purchases our buyer was very fortunate in procuring about one dozen coats with beaver shells and dandy Otter & Persian Collars quilt and plain lined with farmers' satin latest improved buttons and loops, 30 inches long, sizes 36 to 44. Regular \$65.00 Coats FOR...\$36.95

**LADIES NATURAL RAT COATS**—semi-fitted, beautifully lined with broadcated satin. Reg. \$115 and \$125. Sale...\$80.00 and \$82.50

**LADIES' PONY COAT**, full length, semi-fitted, lined with handsome light broadcated satin. Reg. \$125. Sale...\$82.50

**PERSIAN PAW SETS**—Muff in rug style, lined with heavy black satin finished with a narrow satin plaiting and ornamented with tassels and frogs. Dainty throw lined with satin to match. Reg. \$35. Sale...\$22.50

**SILVER POINTED HARE**—Broad scarfs finished with heads at back, black broadcated satin lining. Rug Muff to match, also satin lined. Reg. \$35.00. Sale...\$26.00

**NATURAL RAT TROWS**—Reg. \$15. Sale...\$8.50

**NATURAL RAT MUFFS**—Large pillow shape, satin lined. Reg. \$30. Sale...\$20.00

**FOX SETS**—Throws and muffs to match, all at a reduction.

**LARGE WOLF TROWS**, Regular \$15. Sale...\$8.00 (Second Floor.)

**RAT MINK DYED SETS**—Muffs, rug style with heads and tails. Stylish caprine to match, satin lined. Reg. \$25 set. Sale...\$11.90

**HANDSOME MUNGVA, SEAL FLAT MUFF**—Finished with frogs and tassels, best of heavy satin lining. Dainty throw, ends finished with tassels and braid to match muff. Reg. \$35 set. Sale...\$25.00

**BEAUTIFUL PONYMUFFS**—Rug style, finished with heads and tails and paws, satin lined. Reg. \$10. Sale...\$5.95

**COLUMBIA SABLE SETS** of Empire style, muff and fancy caprine, satin lined. Reg. \$35. Sale...\$25.00

**BEAUTIFUL ERMINE MUFFS** at half price, large empire style, showing fine workmanship, white broadcated satin lining. Reg. \$80.00. Sale...\$42.50

**DAINTY ERMINE MUFF**, fancy flat style, trimmed with tails. Reg. \$75. Sale \$40.00 (Second Floor.)

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## WHERE THIEVES HIDE THEIR LOOT

Examples Recorded of Ex-Convicts who have Cached Valuables for Future Use

Albany, N.Y., Jan. 18.—Records on file with the parole clerk at the capital show that there are many men in the great state of New York going through life with sinister pasts known to neither wives nor children, and that men sent to prison for penal offenses can live down their evil ways and become successful and respected citizens. Only the pardon board knows their names.

During the closing days of the administration of Governor White scores of applications for restoration to citizenship were made and quite a few were granted.

**Ex-Burglar Railroad Man.**  
The most remarkable case from a man now prominent in the employ in the Pennsylvania railroad, who earns a salary of \$12,000 a year and lives in fine style. His petition was endorsed by a lawyer of prominence who declared that only he and the petitioner knew that "the petitioner was at one time a burglar of some considerable reputation."

It was explained that the man, after serving his term in prison, resolved to "brace up and be a man." He went where he was unknown and studied engineering. None of his associates and no member of his family knows his past. But he grew tired of making excuses for his not voting.

To the officials here he said that he had always feared to swear in his vote lest someone who remembered the 1872 case would expose his secret. His application was granted.

Still another case concerned a Brooklyn merchant who, many years ago while on a drunken escapade, stole something and was convicted of grand larceny. He did not understand that grand larceny was a felony which deprived him of his rights as a voter.

Last fall his vote was challenged. The prominence of the man, however, kept the facts from becoming public. Now he may meet challengers without disquietude.

Manager Jimmy McAlister has appointed Shortstop George McBride captain of the Washington team.

The Pittsburgh team will report at West Baden, Indiana, March 2, and leave for Hot Springs, Ark., March 17.

Pitcher "Hub" Purdie, last season with Nashville, was the first player to sign with the Boston Nationals for 1911.

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## MONSTERS OF OLD ON VENUS!

Boston, Mass., Jan. 18.—That the planet Venus, the nearest of the earth's celestial sisters, may be populated by millions of huge prehistoric monsters and fiends, such as roamed and crawled on the earth three hundred thousand years ago, was the assertion today of Professor William H. Pickering, of the Harvard university astronomical department.

"Certainly there are many physical reasons," said Professor Pickering, in thinking that if any other planet besides the earth is inhabited it is probably Venus. It is about the same size as the earth, and its density is about the same. The force of gravity upon its surface is only slightly less than that on the earth. It has been estimated that, roughly speaking, the gravity of Venus, as compared with that of the earth is as 85 to 100.

**Temperature Like Troas.**  
"The temperature for Venus is probably the same as in our own tropics, and the dense atmosphere may be at a composition such as enveloped the earth in the carboniferous period."

"As to the existence of intelligent life, the question is still open until we hear more definitely from Professor See, the government astronomer at Mare's island. He may have observed markings that he is certain are made on the surface of the planet, and not merely upon the outer wrappings of clouds and he may feel convinced that these markings indicate the presence of intelligent beings."

**Planet and Earth Similar.**  
"If it is ever established that the planet Venus is inhabited it will be less surprising than if the same were proved conclusively of any other planet, owing to the similarity in many respects of Venus and the earth."

## A NICE DISTINCTION

In the bed of revivals regrettable things are sometimes said, Deacon Washington, colored, was holding a meeting in the Natchez Chapel, and being wrought up to a high pitch of excitement, he cried out: "I see before me ten chicken thieves, including Calhoun Clay!"

Instantly Calhoun Clay rose and left the church. He was very angry. He brought several powerful influences to bear, and the deacon promised to apologize. So at the next meeting the old man said:

"I desire to retract my last night's remark when I stated that I see before me ten chicken thieves, including Calhoun Clay. What I should have said, dear brethren and sisters, was—I see before me nine chicken thieves, not including Calhoun Clay."

Picher "Red" Ames, of the Giants is playing golf this winter as a means of keeping himself in tight training for next season.

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## REAL ESTATE

There has been a heavy demand lately for blocks of land adjoining the city suitable for future subdivisions.

With a view to supplying this demand we will on Monday next place on the market the north half of Section 10, Township 53, Range 25, W. 4, M. lying immediately south of Alberta Avenue and west of the Brenner estate, under the name of

### 'Alberta Park'

This has been surveyed into blocks of the required size for re-subdivision and will be put on at reasonable prices, which will permit of holding for two or three years and then allow a handsome profit on re-sale.

The plan is now on view at our office, where it can be seen and selection made if desired.

### Terms Are Easy

In addition to the properties listed yesterday, we offer the following choice propositions:

75 ft.—Large revenue-producing brick block, in heart of business district—A corner on Central Jasper Avenue, **\$200,000**

53½ ft. on Jasper Avenue, with revenue-producing frame block, for **\$100,000**

106½ ft. on Jasper Avenue West, with revenue-producing frame building, for **\$30,000**

147 ft. on Jasper Avenue East with two houses, for **\$25,000**

50 ft. on First Street, a corner, south of track, for **\$30,000**

A corner lot in Norwood for **\$27,500**

Good lots in Delton and Inglewood at, each, **\$300.00**

A Well built, 9-roomed fully modern house in West End for **\$7000.00**

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640 acres, south of Vegreville, near a station of Vegreville-Calgary line, choice land, only **\$15.00** Per acre

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## NEWS OF THE CITY

The regular monthly meeting of the Women's Missionary auxiliary will meet in the first Presbyterian church this afternoon.

The new reading room at the Y. W. C. A. will be opened this evening. The honorary president, Mrs. Bullock, will deliver an address.

Joseph Fels, the Philadelphia millionaire manufacturer and single tax advocate, is expected to address the Canadian club here next Friday afternoon.

A meeting of the Humane society will be held at Mr. J. A. McDougall's residence, 218 Victoria Ave., on Thursday evening, January 19th at 8 p.m.

A new subdivision, to be called Alberta Park, will be placed on the market next Monday by York & McNamara. It consists of the north half of section 10.

The funeral of the late Thomas Anderson Trigley will take place from the undertaking parlors of Connolly & McKinley on Thursday afternoon at two o'clock.

Mayor Armstrong is anxious that the final estimates for the year should be considered at an early date and will call a special meeting for their consideration as soon as the estimates are completed.

The regular monthly meeting of the Women's Home Mission Auxiliary will be held in First Presbyterian church this afternoon at three o'clock. An interesting program is prepared and a large attendance of members is expected.

The body of T. O. Tingley, who died at Muskoka a few days ago, was received in the city this morning. A funeral will take place on Thursday afternoon at 3 o'clock from Connolly & McKinley's undertaking parlors to the Edmonton cemetery.

Mr. G. P. Byrde chartered a steamer, which will give him a lecture on "Auditing," which was postponed last week, to the accountant students association tomorrow night at 8 p.m., Jan. 19th, in the commercial rooms of Alberta college.

Although he has not fully recovered from the attack of pleurisy with which he was seized over a week ago, and which subsequently developed pleurisy, Commissioner Beaulieu was able to be in attendance at his office in the city hall this morning. Since his illness there has been a heavy accumulation of work in the department.

The annual meeting of the Edmonton branch of the Temperance and Moral Reform League will be held at the Y.M.C.A. on Thursday evening next, January 19, at 8 o'clock, for the election of officers and other important business. The Ladies of the W. C. T. U. have kindly offered to provide refreshments. All temperance workers are cordially invited to attend.

Low pressure to the water mains today is accounted for by the shutting down of the 6000-gal pump at the power house. This pump has not been out of operation for over a year, and it was deemed necessary to give it an overhauling to prevent the possibility of a breakdown. The city's supply today is derived from the 300000-gal pump.

The regular bi-monthly meeting of the Calceonian society will be held on Thursday, 19th inst. at 8 p.m. in the Separate school hall. A large attendance is requested as the committee has some important reports to make, and after the business is over the first prize games will be held with the current bowls, and arrangements made for tournament to be held amongst the members.

At a meeting last evening of the committee appointed to make arrangements for the forthcoming social and dance of civic employees, it was decided to hold the annual reunion in the Separate school hall on February 17. The committee are putting forth every effort to make the event the most successful of any held since the annual foregathering of municipal employees became an institution.

The Central Alberta Medical association meets tonight in the City Council chamber. Dr. Revell will prepare a paper on the etiology and pathology of infantile paralysis and Dr. Woodhouse will discuss the clinical aspects of it. Following these two papers, Dr. Broadbent will present a paper entitled, "A Reflection in Contemporary Literature of Harvey's Discovery of the Circulation of the Blood."

It is stated that the charges laid against some of the city school teachers by residents in Norwood, will be investigated by the school management committee at their regular meeting to be held this afternoon. The complainants will be given an opportunity to lay their charges before the committee and if there is sufficient evidence to warrant in the case may be taken up by the school board.

## DENOMINATIONAL

The annual congregational meeting of First Presbyterian church will be held in the church this evening at eight o'clock.

The annual congregational meeting of Christ church was held in the church last evening. Reports were received and considered and officers elected for the ensuing year. A large number attended the meeting.

There was a large attendance yesterday at the spiritual conference conducted by Rev. Chown, in the new Alberta College. A series of meetings was held, commencing in the morning and continuing throughout the day.

Rev. Charles H. Stewart, of St. Paul's church, Winnipeg, who lectured on "Napoleon the Great" at Robertson church on Monday, repeated his lecture before a large audience in Westminster Presbyterian last evening.

## FRATERNAL

A practice of the Oddfellow junior degree teams was held in their hall, Norwood block, Jasper Avenue, last evening.

## SOCIAL

Mrs. A. Hager will not receive on Thursday.

The Sons of Scotland, Black Watch camp, held a very enjoyable dance in the Separate school hall last evening.

A very enjoyable dance was held in the Mechanics hall last evening under the auspices of the Modern Woodmen.

Mrs. Herbert Baker, 1315 Peace avenue, will receive on Friday afternoon from four to six for the first time since coming to Edmonton, and afterwards on the third Thursday of each month.

## THE WEATHER

Winnipeg, Jan. 18.—The weather in Manitoba has been fair and very cold. Further west it has been comparatively mild during the day time, at many points, but turned quite cold at night.

Forecast—Manitoba, fair and decidedly cold again, Thursday fine and very cold. Saskatchewan fine and very cold today and on Thursday.

Alberta—Fair and decidedly cold. Kamloops, clear ..... 22  
Calgary, cloudy ..... 18  
Swift Current, fair ..... 24  
Regina, cloudy ..... 10  
Edmonton, clear ..... 18  
Lethbridge, cloudy ..... 10  
Moose Jaw, cloudy ..... 10  
Winnipeg, fair ..... 18  
Port Arthur, clear ..... 10

## LECTURE ON THURSDAY

James H. Cole, the assistant pastor of the Brooklyn Tabernacle, N. Y., will deliver a lecture in Reed and Robinson's hall on Thursday evening. Rev. Cole is an able speaker and is touring the continent under the auspices of the International Bible Students association. Newspaper reports from eastern cities say that large numbers have attended his lectures and have enjoyed them in every sense of the word.

## WARNING TO CITIZENS.

Provincial Sanitary Engineer Owens spent an hour this morning in consultation with Dr. Whitehead, medical officer of health for the city. Mr. Owens believes that many of the soil pipes of houses in the city have become frozen over, and that syphoning of the traps has resulted, with subsequent admission of sewer gas to the interior of the premises.

This may become a serious menace to the health of the community, and Dr. Whitehead requesting through the medium of the press, that every householder investigate the condition of his own premises at once, and take steps to remedy the evil if it exists.

## CHARGE DISMISSED.

The charge against Wm. Divine of stealing a watch was dismissed this morning in the police court by Magistrate Cowan. There was no evidence to show that Divine had taken the watch. He received the watch from one McBride who asked him to try to sell it.

He brought it to Jackson's jewelry store and wanted to sell it for \$25. As the watch was worth about \$120 the jewellers became suspicious. When Divine went into the store to sell the watch, McBride came in and told the clerk asked him if it was his watch. He stated that it was not but that the owner of it was out and he could bring him in at a moment. When Divine went out to get McBride McBride had disappeared. Divine was subsequently arrested.

## NEWS FROM THE SISTER CITY

### BIG MEETING OF YOUNG MEN'S CLUB

Over 150 Were Present at the 1st Meeting in Handsome New Club Rooms

Strathcona, Jan. 18.—Those who have looked and labored for the establishment of a live organization in the city for young men, the meeting last night in the Burns' block was of unimpaired pleasure. It is safe to assert that such a successful gathering along this line has never before been held in Strathcona and there is now little doubt remaining that a young men's club is soon to be one of the factors in civic life and under capable management its rapid growth is assured.

Over one hundred and fifty men gathered in the club rooms last night, and the attendance was thoroughly representative. Keen interest marked the proceedings and several strong talks were delivered by some of the visiting clergymen and others interested in the movement. Mayor Davies and Ald. Calder, Vogel and Radford visited the rooms after council and with the two first named gentlemen and Mr. Barr were the committee which within one and a half days raised over \$300 for the club in a canvass of the city, the meeting was clamorous for speeches from the successful workers, and their remarks were received with a storm of applause. Mr. Barr merely read the result of the canvass and Ald. Calder intimated his willingness to assist in the club work. He rather belittled the efforts of the committee in fund raising. "We could get much more for the same purpose," was his opinion. Mayor Davies' brief speech was a very happy one in which he expressed the belief that the present club will expand into a Y.M.C.A. in the near future when a \$250,000 building will be necessary to meet the demands of the young men and of the citizens of Alberta's University city.

He charged the young men of the club to work for its success and promised for the city council to assist in every way possible in promoting the interests of the club.

Other speakers were: Rev. J. M. Miller of Knox church, Prof. Miller of Alberta college, Mr. A. L. Mar of the University. It is through the efforts of Prof. Edwards that the movement has now reached its present successful proportions and the speakers referred with commendable eloquence to his work in this capacity. All were enthusiastic in their praises for the auspicious opening of the club on broader lines.

Assured Success.

Said Rev. Miller in the course of his eloquent talk: "The success of this movement gives me ministers more pleasure than I can express. This is something we preach for in season and out of season." He had words of deep gratitude for the committee who conducted the financial campaign and for the citizens who so generously responded.

Prof. Miller spoke very highly of Prof. Edwards' efforts in bringing about the organization which had its start in Knox church. In the Methodist church he had discussed such a movement and was glad to take a part in the present one. His remarks on the elevating influence of such a club upon young manhood and the place it should fill in the civic life of the homelike youth in the West were earnest and eloquent.

Prof. Edwards gave an outline of what will be done in the matter of furnishing and equipping the rooms. Pool tables, games and reading matter will be provided at one end of the hall. At the other it is his intention to install gramophone appliances and leave room for boxing and wrestling rings, and a stage for other performances. The club will be undenominational and open to any man paying the membership fee of 50¢ per month.

Every effort will be made to provide the members with a good time, the only requirement being that the influence shall be upward instead of downward. Boxing and wrestling classes will probably be started soon.

Special terms reported an estimated membership of 120. The meeting last night was the first of a short series of enjoyable with a really splendid program of music, boxing and wrestling exhibitions, and other forms of entertainment.

Strathcona Locals.

The Strathcona and Variety teams met tonight for an interesting game. Mr. Joss, Lessor left yesterday morning for New Westminster where he will later remove his family if conditions are to his liking.

The choir of Knox church is busy preparing a carol service entitled "Christ and His Soldiers," which will be given

### INCREASE GRANT FOR CITY LIBRARY

Carnegie Library Committee Will Be Asked to Erect a \$25,000 Structure

Strathcona, Jan. 18.—Matters of great importance were conspicuous by their absence at the council meeting last night. Only a few questions were up for consideration and the session was brief. Outstanding in the evening's business was the granting of the library board's request that the city's annual maintenance appropriation be increased from the \$1800 assured by the council of 1910 to \$2500, it being the purpose of the board to petition the Carnegie committee for a \$25,000 building.

Secretary J. H. McDonald of the board wrote the council requesting this increase in the annual grant and also that lots 23 and 24 on the north side of the city hall square be set aside for a library building site. Ald. Vogel at first moved that the matter be laid over for a full meeting of the council, there being absent last night Ald. Tipton, Richards and Pollard. Ald. Calder and J. H. McDonald of the board both spoke in support of the request for the increase of the annual grant, so that the Carnegie grant may be secured as quickly as possible. Mr. McDonald thought that all of the absent aldermen had expressed themselves as heartily in favor of the movement. Council went into committee of the whole in discussion and upon returning to regular order of business reported favorably to the proposed grant. It was moved by Calder and Vogel that the grant be increased and the two lots in question set aside. Carried unanimously.

### So Per Cent. Loan on Arrears.

By-law to provide for the borrowing of \$50,000 as a temporary loan against the tax levy of the present year, for current expenses showed wherein a wrong interpretation was last week put upon the reading of the city charter when a by-law was read to borrow \$120,000 on arrears of taxes, the solution being that only 50 per cent of the amount of arrears can be raised as a loan on these arrears, and not dollar for dollar as was understood when the by-law was prepared. Therefore the proposed loan of \$120,000 was of necessity cut down to \$60,000 as an additional loan became necessary to carry on business. Secretary Cox explained that this loan would carry business on until well within the time when taxes will be forthcoming. Dollar for dollar may be borrowed on taxes for current year, and the estimated levy for this year will be around \$85,000 less the school taxes. By-law was read a second time and former resolution to borrow \$120,000 rescinded.

### Want First Avenue Opened.

For the public works committee Ald. Rankin submitted a resolution calling for immediate action in having First Avenue North opened across the P.R. tracks. He understood that in negotiations between the former council and the company the latter agreed to the avenue being opened and he thought there should be no further delay in the matter. "When an offer is made by a company like this it is well to deal with it at once," said Ald. Rankin. "Let the opportunity slip by."

It was pointed out by anti-solutionist that the matter was left in the hands of the city solicitor and the engineer last fall and plans are now being worked out by the company. "This delay has been going on for five years," said his Worship, "and it now seems time there was something done towards getting results. We don't care who carries on negotiations so long as the street is opened soon." Ald. Vogel moved and it was carried that the public works committee look after the matter.

### The First Week in February.

Friday evening a special musical concert will be held in the Strathcona Army barracks on Main street south at which members of the army in Edmonton will assist.

City Solicitor Jamieson and wife left last week for California where Mrs. Jamieson will remain for the next three months. Mrs. Jamieson expects to return a few weeks.

Mrs. A. J. McLean and daughter left Saturday for California where they will visit for the remainder of the winter.

This evening the ladies of St. Anthony's church will hold their regular social in St. Anthony's hall above city hall school. The committee playing for prizes will consist of three ladies and there will also be a musical program after which refreshments will be served. Prior to the social a drawing will take place for a particularly handsome clock.

## IS SECURING DATA FROM OTHER CITIES

Mayor Will Ascertain How Election Commission Is Working in American Cities

Mayor Armstrong was interviewed by the Capital this morning as to his attitude towards the reform of the commission system of government in Edmonton, with the object of bringing this city into line with Des Moines, Los Angeles, Galveston, and the numerous other cities on the continent which have adopted elective method of choosing commissioners. His Worship did not wish to express any opinion upon the subject until such time as all available information as to the experience of other cities which are governed by elective commission, subject to the recall, is at hand.

Until such information is available, and an opportunity has been provided on the table consideration of the workings of the various systems. Mayor Armstrong thinks that any serious discussion of changes in the structure of civic government may be His worship will seek information as to the experience of all cities on the continent, and indeed, it is very doubtful whether he has ever been officially offered the appointment. It would be no surprise to some well informed people if the Earl of Dudley, who is resigning the governorship of Australia, should succeed Grey.

Among the cities regarding which Mayor Armstrong will seek information are: Los Angeles and Oakland, Calif.; Spokane, Washington; Des Moines, Iowa; Houston and Galveston, Texas; Duluth, Minn.; and Wichita, Kansas.

### EARL GREY'S SUCCESSOR

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